

# Guide to the H. Page Cross Papers

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**CREATOR:** Cross, H. Page, 1910-1975

**TITLE:** H. Page Cross papers

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**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 3 linear feet (3 boxes, 1 folio)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Photographs of architectural designs and finished work executed by H. Page Cross. Included are photographs of commercial, institutional and residential buildings with both interior and exterior views. A small amount of furniture design is also shown. Among the projects are floor plans for the Museum of Modern Art, the Foxcroft School, Trinity Episcopal Church of Upperville, Virginia, and designs for Paul Mellon residences in Virginia, Massachusetts, and the British West Indies.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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## Biographical / Historical

H. Page Cross

Professional Summary:

Born - New York City 1910

Graduated Groton School 1928

Graduated Yale College B.A. Degree 1932

Graduated M.I.T. Bachelor of Architecture 1936

New York Worlds Fair 1937

Vander Gracht and Kilham 1938

Cross and Cross 1939 - 1940

U.S. Marine Corps 1941 - 1945

Cross and Son 1945 - 1951

Page Cross Architect 1951 - 1975

Affiliations:

American Institute of Architects

Licensed architect, State of New York

Beaux-Arts Institute of Design

National Council of Architectural Registration Boards

Metropolitan Museum - Fellow in Perpetuity

Century Association

Principal Works:

Institutional

Center for Hellenic Studies Harvard University - Washington, D. C.

Foxcroft School - Middleburg, Va.: Dormitories, Music Building, School House

Choate School Library - Wallingford, Conn. Additions and Alterations

Trinity Episcopal Church, Upperville, Virginia: Parish House, Rectory, Church

Paul Mellon Library, Upperville, Virginia

President's House - Hollins College Roanoke, Virginia

Fisher Island Golf Club - Fishers Island, N.Y.

Commercial

American Fore Insurance Co. (Alterations and Additions) 80 Maiden Lane, New York City

Hanover Bank 34th Street Branch, New York City

Chubb and Son (Alterations) 90 John Street, New York City

Iselin and; Jefferson 111 West 40th Street, New York City

Josiah Wedgwood and Co. 24 East 52nd Street, New York City.

Residential

Mrs. T. Jefferson Coolidge Manchester, Mass.

James Doubleday Greens Farms, Conn.

Robert Leeson East Greenwich, Rhode Island

James C. Greenway Greenwich, Conn.

Alfred Harrison Oyster Bary, New York

Paul Mellon New York City

Paul Mellon Antigua, West Indies

Paul Mellon Osterville, Mass.

Paul Mellon, Upperville, Virginia

James Knott Locust Valley, New York

Robert G. Goelet 7 Sutton Place, New York City

David K. Bruce (Alterations and Additions) Washington, D. C.

Neil McConnell 12 Sutton Square, New York City

Neil McConnell Southampton, Long Island

Thomas Gates (Alterations) Paoli, Pennsylvania

Harding Lawrence Dallas, Texas

Harding Lawrence (Alterations) - Apartment New York City

Countess Rattazzi Apartment, New York City

John W. Cross, III Greenwich, Conn.

Nicholas Strekalovsky Portland, Maine

Alexander Forbes South Dartmouth, Mass.

Macrae Sykes Glen Cove, New York

Walter F. O'Connell Connecticut

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## **Scope and Contents**

This is a collection of photographs of architectural works of Page Cross. They are divided into three groups - commercial, institutional, residential - and are alphabetically arranged by the name of the company, institution, or home owner. Oversize photographs from the different groups are filed in box 4. Miscellaneous and unidentified photographs are at the end of box 3.

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- b. 1, f. 6 American Fore Insurance Co., auditorium.
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- b. 1, f. 9 American Fore Insurance Co., Employee's Cafeteria, Sandwich Shop and Lounge.
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- b. 1, f. 10 American Fore Insurance Co., Kitchen.
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Miscellaneous

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b. 4 2 portfolios, Summary of Commercial, Institutional and Residential Work.

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Architects  
Architecture -- Designs and plans

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Photoprints

### **Names**

Cross, H. Page, 1910-1975  
Mellon, Paul

### **Corporate Bodies**

Foxcroft School (Middleburg, Va.)  
Museum of Modern Art (New York, N.Y.)  
Trinity Episcopal Church (Upperville, Va.)